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THE BOOK 2010

Thank you for publishing The Book. It provides great information that is useful to our Air and Space Basic Course students, who are newly-commissioned second lieutenants. During ASBC, students plan and execute air operations using a constructive multi-player simulation.



I wanted to comment specifically on the Bombs and Missiles aerial weaponry pages and provide a suggestion or two. The illustrations help our students visualize these weapons for recognition when these weapons are actually seen loaded on aircraft. When ASBC students

participate in exercises, they have to make employment decisions using these specific weapons.

Weaponry data that seem fairly useless are the measurement dimensions provided for each weapon. The size of the weapon in feet and inches has very little bearing on their use in combat. So, future planners or operators derive very little from reading those dimensions. I recommend you delete the dimensions next year and focus on more useful information.

> Weapon ranges for the various bombs and missiles are extremely useful so thanks for providing whatever unclassified, releasable

numbers you can for these.

Most of the bombs are shown with total overall weights, which is useful information for comparing bomb classes. One weight that would be very useful for air planners would be warhead weight and type. This is commonly-available data you should be able to find through unclassified sources.

Keep up the great work. The Book is a great reference. We hope you will continue to improve and enhance it so it becomes even more valuable for Airmen.

Lt. Col. Gary C. "Mo" Morgan USAF Retired Simulation Engineer, Squadron Officer College (SOC/DET)

MARCH-APRIL ISSUE



In the story about Sagamore Hill, ["Space Weathermen" March- April 2010] you refer to a solar observatory in Learmonth, Australia. The site is called Learmonth Solar Observatory and is located 22 miles south of Exmouth, Australia which is approximately 2,500 miles from Learmonth.

Thank you,

Tech. Sgt. Paul Loe Learmonth Solar Observatory

I have subscribed to Airman since I retired and enjoy it immensely. Some years ago, the enclosed poster was a beautiful poster of the Air Force core values. I would encourage you to once again publish a poster of our core values for inclusion in some future issue. Thanks, and keep up the great magazine!

Chief Master Sgt. Cliff Wagner
USAF Retired
Peoria, Ariz.



MAY-JUNE: HAITI

From the very first issue of this fine publication that I was fortunate enough to read when I joined the Air Force 12 years ago, I have seen wonderful creativity, great photojournalism and intriguing articles in each and every issue. The May-June 2010 issue has now raised the bar another notch or two! The format is exciting, eye appealing and worthy of anybody's coffee table. I know I will take a copy home and proudly display it just there — proudly letting everyone who visits our home know that I'm part of an amazing organization.

More importantly, the content in the articles in the new issue is touching and heart-warming, to say the least.

Thank you for yet another reason I'm proud to be in the Air Force!

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Sweet! Go Air Force!

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As one who served in OUR, thank you for this special edition! Great job as always, Airman Magazine!!!

Amber Gailey Cargile

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Agreed, great issue, but for one thing. I was a little disappointed in the coverage in this issue. I was one of 39 firefighters who were on the ground in Haiti from start to finish. There

[May-June 2010] The children are watching for the airplane that would drop candy bars tied to white handkerchiefs. A pilot started that on one of his first trips. There was little or no candy in Berlin at that time, and they also needed the handkerchiefs. This became an important public relations program with volunteers preparing the candy and handkerchiefs for the pilots. This story should always be told with the picture. James F. Jackson via e-mail

isn't one single mention of any of the work that we did. Not one.

Thomas Sidoti

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Editor's Note: Thomas, we can't cover it all and sometimes we miss some great stories. However, we do have a firefighter story in the July-August issue. We welcome story ideas, so send us a heads-up to airman@dma.mil. Tell us about the stories you want to see in Airman.

This has to be the best issue yet!

Jonathan Snyder

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